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13 July 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Call from the Office of Senator Keating
Concerning Soviet Oil

1. On 9 July 1962 I was informed by the Office of Oil and Gas, Department of the Interior, where I had been working on loan during February - May 1962, [redacted] that I had a telephone call from the office of Senator Keating who wished to discuss certain matters pertaining to Soviet oil with me. 25X1

2. This request was discussed with [redacted] of the Legislative Counsel's office, who advised me that I could discuss Soviet oil matters with Senator Keating's office. 25X1

3. On 11 July I returned the call of Phyllis Piotrow, of Senator Keating's office, and it developed that Senator Keating was seeking information on the National Petroleum Council's report on the "Impact of Soviet Oil Exports on the Free World." I had been assisting, as Co-Chairman of the Sub-Committee Working Group, and representing the Department of the Interior, in the preparation of this report. In particular, Senator Keating wished to know why the report was being delayed, what the general content of the report was and when might the report be released.

4. I informed Miss Piotrow that it would be more appropriate for the National Petroleum Council to comment on the delay, although she indicated that Senator Keating was aware of the fact that industry reaction to the recently issued "conflict of interest" memorandum was the basic cause and had been so informed by the American Petroleum Institute. I described to her in only slight detail what the report covered and how it differed from the API publication "The Petroleum Industry of the Soviet Union." I pointed out that the Working Subcommittee, of which I am Government Co-Chairman, had responsibility only for preparing a factual study and that recommendations for action against the Soviet oil offensive, if made, would come from the parent committee. If the parent committee accepted our report with little or no revisions, then the report might be available in September of this year.

5. Phyllis Piotrow indicated that Senator Keating planned to hold hearings on the report when it did become available and that selected

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government and industry representatives would be called to testify. She also indicated that Senator Keating planned to give publicity to the reasons behind the delay of the NPC report.

6. I informed both Vincent M. Brown of the National Petroleum Council Staff and Jerome J. O'Brien, Director of the Office of Oil and Gas, of the inquiry from Senator Keating.



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